Kochi Port Connectivity Project. These are targeted for completion by 2008.

(ii) 221 kms of NH-47 from Cherthalai to Kerala/Tamil Nadu Border is included under NHDP Phase-IIIA on build Operate & Transfer (B.O.T.) basis and is targeted for completion by December, 2009.

(iii) 435 kms of NH-17 from Karnataka/Kerala Border to Eddapally is identified under NHDP Phase-IIIB on BOT basis. Approval has been coveyed to NHAI for initiating advance action in form of preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for NHDP Phase-IIIB.

National Highways Development in Assam

2630. SHRI URKHAO GWRA BRAHMA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Highways development involving four laning under the road development plan is still non-started in Assam portion;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Total length of 690 km of National Highway has been taken up in Assam for four laning as part of East-West Corridor, out of which a length of 19 km has already been widened to 4 lanes. The work is in progress/awarded or Letter of Acceptance issued in 453 km. Remaining length of 218 km is yet to be awarded. The work is targeted to be completed by 2008.

Four-Lane National Highway in Goa

2631. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to construct a four-lane National Highway in Goa; and

(b) if so, the details of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir.